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For Information of Members only:

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NEW FACES :- See Page 2 the last two paragraphs.

MOBILE PHONE :

We regret that our Mobile Phone facility will not be available to Members or outside sources. This service will be used by The Executive Council and Committee Members only.

GENTLE REMINDER :

(a) The next Committee Meeting will be held at the Skylon Hotel,Drumcondra, at 8pm, in the Elland Conference Room,on Monday 26th,Sept,1994.

(b) Members are asked to notify us immediately if you are changing your Address.

CONSULTATION FACILITY :

Commencing from Wednesday, 28th,Sept,1994, and every fourth Wednesday of the Month thereafter until further notice, a Representative from IUFOGRA will be available to anyone wishing to become a Member, or to report in confidence, a Ufo or Paranormal Experience,in the Foyer of the Skylon Hotel, Drumcondra from 7.30pm - 9.30pm. The IUFOGRA Representative will be wearing an ID Badge for recognition. Any Person from outside the Dublin Area, who may wish to contact us re a UFO Sighting Report or Paranormal Experience, please write to us at our Box Number as stated above so that we can arrange to facilitate you.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

I am still inviting Members to submit Articles, comments and suggestions for publication in our Monthly Newsletter or Journal. They may be of great value to IUFOGRA and yourselves. Maximum Lines allowed in Newsletter, 25. And Maximum lines allowed in Journal, 60 or 3 pages.

All correspondence to our IUFOGRA Address as usual, to Mr Karl Morris,PRO, IUFOGRA, Box No 3070, Whitehall, Dublin,9.

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ROSEWELL UPDATE:

Our colleague, Mr Timothy Good has asked us to point out that the Central TV Documentary which he is involved with, will not focus on the Rosewell Incident only, as stated in the last issue of the IUFOFRA Newsletter. Rosewell is but one of a number of cases featured. Please note that the transmission date of same has now been moved to the 18th of October at 10.40pm on the ITV Network and not at the time and date given in the last Newsletter. We apologise to Mr Good for any inconvenience caused.

STILL ON ROSEWELL: It now seems very unlikely that Steven Spielberg will not be making a movie on Rosewell after all. His Production Office, when asked by interested individuals for information regarding same have denied all knowledge of any such plans. Perhaps this is part of an elaborate plot by the Authorities to distract us from the G.O.A. Inquiry. Originally, it was claimed, by certain sources in America, that Spielberg was given access to never-seen-before files on Roswell, yet we can't help wondering that [if this was true at all] why would the American Government allow someone like Spielberg, open and direct access to such Material, especially as this access is not granted to Ufologists, Investigators and Researchers who have perhaps spent years trying to obtain such information, at such great a risk to themselves and others.

It seems very strange that the very people i.e. the U.S. Government, who tried to prevent Spielberg from releasing the original 'uncut' version of "Close Encounters of the Third Kind " in cinemas all over the world, and also successfully prevented him from releasing the same movie on video, would allow him access to what could be classified as "sensitive material". Yes, the mind boggles! - Was Spielberg 'got at' not to do this movie or was he warned to quickly change his mind about the whole project? This could turn into a "will he/won't he" spectacle which will only deepen further the mystery of Rosewell. We will, of course, keep you posted of any new developments as they happen.

NIPRA/IUFOPRA JOIN FORCES:- IUFOFRA are pleased to announce our Regional Officer for Northern Ireland. He is Denis Harper, from Newcastle, Co. Down, and is an IUFOFRA member also. Denis recently formed his own Ufo Organisation called NIPRA - the Northern Ireland Paranormal Research Association - and we are delighted to have formed an alliance with Denis. He has sent us many thought provoking articles during the last few months and these will be published in the IUFOFRA JOURNAL in due course. We would like to send our congratulations and best wishes to Denis with his new venture.

BILL MOORE: IUFOFRA extends a warm welcome to William Moore, of the Fair Witness Project, Burbank, California, who has now joined the Editorial Board of the IUFOFRA JOURNAL. Bill is one of America's best known and respected Ufologist and has, over the years, written many articles and papers on some of the most controversial aspects of ufology. His most famous work is "THE ROSEWELL INCIDENT" which he co-wrote with Charles Berlitz. Over the coming months Bill will be writing many articles for our Journal and we look forward to receiving his valuable contributions and to a long and fruitful liaison with him.

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NEWSFLASH! EXTRA!:

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Coming soon to the IUFOFRA JOURNAL. An exclusive interview with Harvard Psychiatrist, Dr. John Mack, who visited Ireland in June. Dr. Mack has worked with Abductees over the last three years and has published his first book "Abduction" which contains 13 case histories of people who have had alien encounters, which, according to Dr Mack, are in no way attributed to Mental Illness. Watch this space for further details.

CONTACT INTERNATIONAL: have just published the UFO REGISTER, which is the OFFICIAL ORGAN OF DATA RESEARCH. It is a Journal for recording and disseminating factual information relating to the ufo phenomenon. This particular edition deals with all ufo sightings, both English and International, that occurred during 1980. It is a very useful and valuable guide for any Investigator/Researcher who is interested in researching any case files of this period. I do hope that this will be the first of many such registers of its kind that Contact will publish.

Finally, we received quite an amount of mail during the Summer Break [what break?] from colleagues, members the world over. We would like to thank you very much for taking the time and the trouble to write to us with your news, views etc. We are always happy to hear from everyone and if you have not yet received a reply from us then please bear with us and be patient [we know you always are] as we will get around to replying to as soon as we have our full Committee returned from Holidays.

SKY NOTES & CHARTS FOR SEPT, OCT, & NOV, 1994:-

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MERCURY: Visible as an evening object till mid October at mag 0.5. It will be a morning object during November. The Planet will be 5 degrees North of Venus in the South-East on November 12d.

VENUS: at mag. -4.5 it will be a brilliant evening star up to the end of October setting shortly before the Sun. From around Mid-November the planet will reappear as a morning Star in the East. Also Venus is at its brightest on Sept 22nd at mag. -4.6.

MARS: a bright morning object between Gemini and Leo, mag 0. approx. Easy to pick out because of its red colour.

JUPITER: Seems to have survived its encounter with Comet Shoemaker-Levy. The planet will be an evening object in Libra mag.2.7. On the evening of September 7d. the crescent moon, Venus and Jupiter will be close to each other.

SATURN: can be seen as a bright object all night, in Aquarius. Mag 0.5 approx.

URANUS: Situated between Capricorn and Sagittarius mag.5.7 low in Southwest after Sunset. Binoculars needed.

NEPTUNE: Within a few degrees of Uranus mag 7.9. Binoculars needed.

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METEOR SHOWERS.

During the 3 month period of Sept/Nov. three Showers will occur as follows:

ORIONIDS: October 21st and 22nd. Up to 25 per hour can be counted.
These are very swift meteors leaving trains.

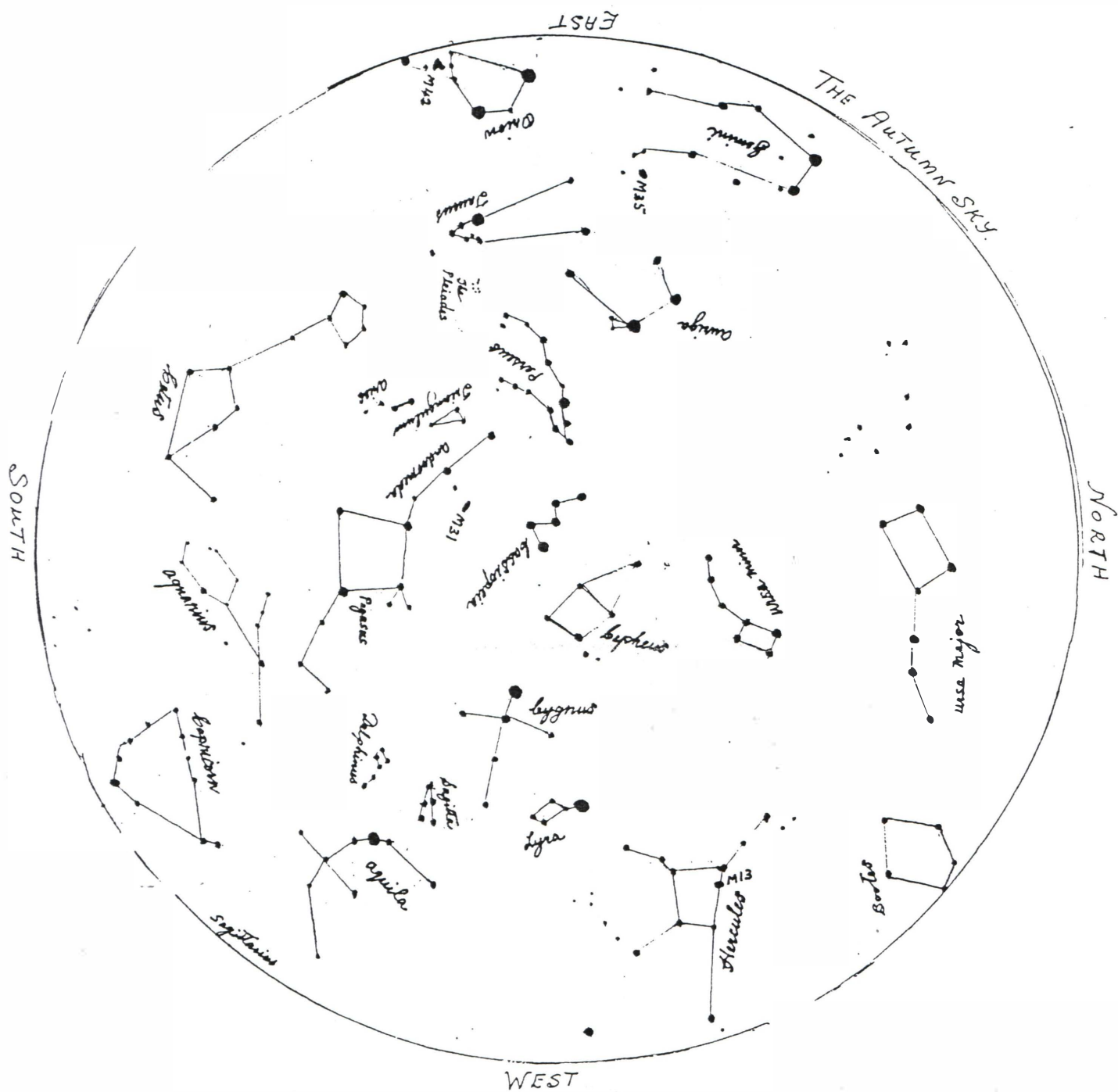
TAURIDS: October 20d to November 30d. Maximum Nov 5d. Up to 10
meteors can be counted. These are very slow moving
meteors.

LEONIDS: Nov 15d to 20d. Maximum on November 17d. Up to 10 per hour
can be counted. Bright meteors with trains. The
Constellation from which they emanate is known as the
radiant - point for that Shower.

A WORD ON STAR MAGNITUDES.

What is Magnitude anyway? It's a term used to give the brightness of Stars and Planets including the Sun and Moon. Many years ago an Astronomer named Hipparchus invented the magnitude system and despite all its faults, is very practical. Keen Amateur Observers of Variable Stars can distinguish one tenth of a magnitude. The photometer attached to a telescope is more accurate, but how many of us have this equipment, not to mention the time to use it. To return to Hipparchus he classed the brightest stars in the sky as first Magnitude or Mag+1. and the next brightest stars as Mag 2 or +2 and so on down to the faintest stars visible to the naked eye at Mag 6. Now each magnitude down the line from Mag 1 is 2.5 times fainter than the one before. In other words a Mag 2 star is 2.5 times fainter than a Mag 1 star. So we will see that a mag 6 star is about 100 times fainter than a mag 1 star because the Mag 6 Star will be $2.5 \times 2.5 \times 2.5 \times 2.5 \times 2.5$ times fainter or $(2.5)^5$. So much for the fainter stars, but what about the brighter stars than 1st magnitude. Well it works the same for instance mag 0, mag -1, mag -2 etc. As they get brighter than 0 a minus appears in front of the magnitude. Venus reaches mag -4.6 in September this year. The full Moon mag -13 approx. and the Sun mag -26.7. Binoculars and telescopes can show us very faint stars, but I hope to write on this matter later on. So for a Second Century B.C. Astronomer I think Hipparchus did very well.

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The Author:

Richard L. Thompson, the author of five books and four videos on science and philosophy, received his PhD. in mathematics from Cornell University. He brings two kinds of expertise to the field of UFO investigations. The first is 20 years of scientific research and publishing in fields ranging from mathematical biology to NASA-funded work in satellite remote sensing. The second is a long and deep acquaintance with the cosmological literature of ancient India's Vedic culture.

Dr. Thompson's other books include the controversial *Forbidden Archeology*, also available from BBL.

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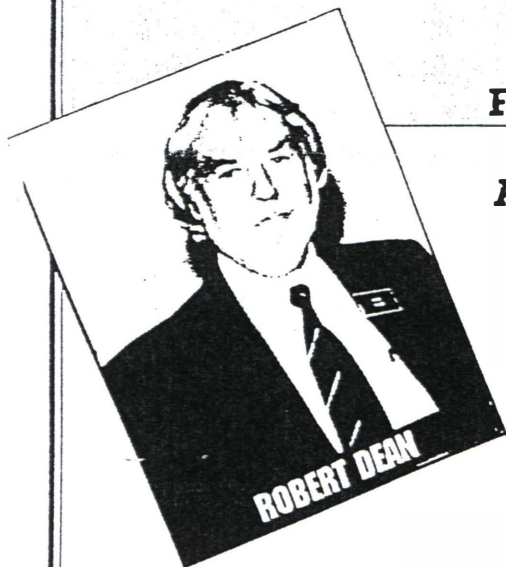
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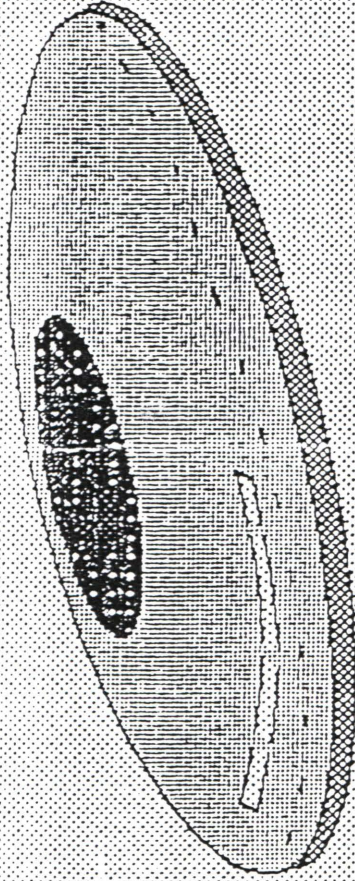
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